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FOR AF/W DIRECTOR THOMAS W.M.SMITH FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SWEL, PFOR, IV

SUBJ: MEASLES VACCINE FOR IVORY COAST

1. WHEN I CALLED RECENTLY ON MINISTER OF HEALTH
MOCKEY HE EXPRESSED TO ME HIS DISAPPOINTMENT THAT U.S.
AID APPEARED UNABLE TO SUPPLY GOIC WITH 250,000 DOSES
OF MEASLES VACCINE WHICH MINISTER OF HEALTH HAD REQUESTED
IN OCTOBER OF LAST YEAR. MOCKEY POINTED OUT THAT MEASLES
IS PRIME CONTRIBUTING FACTOR TO HIGH RATE OF INFANT
MORTALITY IN IVORY COAST AND PROBLEM WAS TRAGICALLY
AGGRAVATED BY LACK OF VACCINE. I TOLD MOCKEY THAT I
WAS UNFAMILIAR WITH THE MINISTER'S REQUEST BUT WOULD
CHECK IMMEDIATELY TO DISCOVER WHAT HAD HAPPENED AND
WHETHER SOMETHING COULD BE DONE ABOUT IT.

2. WITH ASSISTANCE OF MILES WEDEMAN AND DR.DAVID
FRENCH OF THE AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION, WHO
IS IN CHARGE OF A PUBLIC HEALTH TEAM WITH REGIONAL
RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THE AUSPICES OF WHO, RESIDENT
IN ABIDJAN, I HAVE DISCOVERED THAT MOCKEY'S REQUEST FOR
MEASLES VACCINE FOR THE IVORY COAST WAS TRANSMITTED TO
AID/W ON OCTOBER 13, 1976 BUT FOR REASONS UNKNOWN TO US
HERE IN ABIDJAN WAS NEVER ACTED ON. A SECOND REQUEST
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HAS IN THE PAST WEEK BEEN FORWARDED TO AID/W WITH RENEWED
REQUEST FOR PROMPT ACTION.

3. I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF AF/W WOULD WEIGH IN WITH AID
TO MAKE SURE THAT THE SECOND REQUEST DOES NOT RPT NOT GET
LOST IN BUREAUCRATIC LABYRINTH. I AM TOLD THAT THE RESPON-
SIBLE AID OFFICER IN WASHINGTON IS CLAY MIRACLE.IT WOULD

BE VERY HELPFUL TO OUR RELATIONS WITH GOIC IN GENERAL AND
MINISTRY OF HEALTH IN PARTICULAR IF I COULD CALL MOCKEY
WITHIN NEXT WEEK TO ASSURE HIM THAT MEASLES VACCINE WAS
AVAILABLE AND GIVE HIM SOME IDEA OF WHEN IT WOULD ARRIVE.
AS YOU KNOW, IVORY COAST OBTAINS FEW DIRECT BENEFITS FROM
LARGE AMERICAN PRESENCE HERE AND IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT
THAT WE SHOW OURSELVES TO BE RESPONSIVE TO THEIR LEGITIMATE
NEEDS IN AREAS LIKE THIS ONE.
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